

and former Congressman Pete McCloskey. He also served on the State Park Commission, the State Highway Commission, the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

Joe Houghteling was President of the National Maritime Museum Association in San Francisco from 1992–1994 and served on the boards of many distinguished nonprofits including Stanford Hospital, California Tomorrow, the Planning and Conservation League Foundation, the Coro Foundation, Peninsula School and the California Newspaper Publishers Association.

Joe Houghteling lived his life beautifully, gracefully, and full of commitment and our country and our community are immensely better because of him. I was blessed to know him, to have had his wise counsel and to have his loyal support throughout all the years of my public service.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending our deepest sympathy to Mr. Houghteling's wife, Signa Judith Irwin Houghteling, his daughters, Anne of Palo Alto, Elizabeth of Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Mary of Berkeley, and his grandson, Philip Cannon Houghteling Balboni of Cambridge, Massachusetts. Joseph Cannon Houghteling gave our country a lifetime of service and we are a grateful nation for all he did throughout his special life.

RECOGNIZING 30 YEARS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE FROM CHIEF RICHARD A. JAMISON

HON. HENRY CUELLAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. CUELLAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to publicly celebrate 30 years of service in law enforcement by Chief Richard A. Jamison.

Richard Jamison joined the Converse Police Department on August 23, 1979. Within just 1 year, he was promoted to Corporal in Patrol. Through his hard work and dedication to the job of protecting the citizens of Converse, Mr. Jamison was promoted to Chief of Police on April 24, 1999.

He has shown such a devotion to Converse that he does more than just act as Chief of Police; he also serves his community. Chief Jamison was voted citizen of the year by the Converse Lions Club 2003–2004, for his many service contributions to the community.

He has also supported Project Graduation at Judson High School for 21 years, to protect our high school graduates from the dangers of drunk driving. He has been instrumental in fundraising efforts to support this program.

Madam Speaker, it is a great honor to recognize 30 years of service from Chief Richard A. Jamison. I am proud to be here today to publicly honor this great citizen of the 28th district of Texas.

HONORING THE VIRGINIA GARCIA MEMORIAL HEALTH CENTER

HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. WU. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the significant and enduring contributions of the Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center and all community health workers in Oregon.

Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center was founded in 1975 following the tragic death of 6-year old Virginia Garcia. Accompanying her parents from Texas to Oregon to work in the strawberry fields, an untreated foot wound turned deadly when Virginia couldn't get basic medical treatment because of linguistic and cultural barriers. In an effort to prevent similar tragedies from occurring, the community came together to establish the Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center.

As we celebrate Migrant Farmworker Health Day and recognize our special partners—Providence Health System, Marie Napolitano, and Rosalia Ginsberg—it is important to take a moment and reflect on how far we've come.

Today Virginia Garcia employs 300 people and provides high-quality, comprehensive, and culturally appropriate services to more than 30,000 patients a year in Washington and Yamhill counties. It operates four primary care clinics, three dental offices, and two school-based health centers, as well as providing outreach to schools, community centers, and migrant and seasonal farm workers through its mobile clinic.

Without clinics like Virginia Garcia and its network of community partners it isn't clear where many of our region's most vulnerable residents would turn for essential, basic health care. I applaud Virginia Garcia's commitment to providing important health care services to the residents of the 1st Congressional District and stand by its mission to eliminate barriers to access.

It is an honor for me to recognize the Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center and its special partners for their contributions to health in Oregon.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. UPTON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3326, the Department of Defense Appropriations Bill for fiscal year 2010.

1. Advanced Digital Hydraulic Drive Systems

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Eaton Corporation

Address of Requesting Entity: 26201 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, MI

Amount: \$2,500,000

Description of Request: The objective of this project is to develop and demonstrate a hybrid

hydraulic drive system on military 4x4 vehicles. This compact drive system will enable vehicles to be operated more safely and effectively on even the harshest terrains, and also save a substantial amount of fuel. Having seen firsthand the challenges vehicles currently face with respect to immobilization, roll-over or forced-slow speeds due to weight, the value of such a system is very apparent. The additional weight of important armor results in increased problems with maneuverability, so the reduced weight of the new hybrid system addresses this problem. In addition to reducing the weight of the drive system, this project will also increase fuel efficiency by roughly 60 percent. The increased fuel efficiency will provide clear logistical benefits by increasing vehicle range and decreasing vehicle re-fueling requirements. This is not at the expense of vehicle performance, however, as the reduced weight will actually add to vehicle traction and performance.

Funding Breakdown: Funding for Phase III funding of this program will be used specifically to (1) develop and demonstrate a laboratory-scale advanced digital hydraulic system and (2) create and demonstrate a retrofit-kit prototype inserted onto a demonstrator vehicle. Approximately 10 percent of the funds will be used for high pressure component and system reliability testing, 10 percent will be used to develop drivetrain-specific parametric models from vehicle drive-test data, 35 percent to develop the retrofit kit and 45 percent to develop the lab-scale system integrating advanced components.

Justification for the use of taxpayer dollars: This project will dramatically increase fuel efficiency in military vehicles, and hence, provide logistical benefits as well as preserve fuel. The new hybrid system will also reduce vehicle weight, which will add to vehicle performance and allow for vehicles to carry increased armor or supplies.

2. University of Michigan Center for the Genetic Origins of Cancer

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center

Address of Requesting Entity: 1500 E Medical Center Drive, Ann Arbor, MI

Amount: \$2,500,000

I am supporting Rep. JOHN DINGELL's request for funding for the University of Michigan's Center for the Genetic Origins of Cancer. The goal of the Center for Genetic Origins of Cancer is to accelerate the discovery of molecular signatures of cancers and rapidly develop personalized treatments for cancer patients. This initiative's purpose is to deliver the right treatment to the right patient at the right time. Specifically, the funding will be going to three things integrative oncogenomics, which would identify novel gene fusions in tumors of the breast, prostate, lung, and colon; unique animal models, which would use recent breakthroughs in gene fusion research in animals to mimic tumors in humans; and lastly, to study the functional genomics of cancer stem cells, which are believed to be the cells that actually start the growth of tumors. This is very exciting research, and it could very soon benefit thousands of my constituents, and millions of folks across the country.

Funding Breakdown: The DOD funding will account for roughly 18 percent of funds for

this program. 36 percent of the funding will go toward research costs, 30.5 percent of this funding will go toward equipment and cores, 23.5 percent will go to miscellaneous needs, including a sequencing machine, cell sorter, and auto starter.

HONORING RECIPIENTS OF THE 2009 THIRD DISTRICT EXCELLENCE IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD

HON. ADRIAN SMITH

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor ten individuals, organizations and businesses from Nebraska for receiving the 2009 Third District Excellence in Economic Development Award.

Nebraska, like many rural states, unfortunately has seen a "brain drain" in recent years and, now more than ever, needs entrepreneurs and innovators.

In May, I called for nominations for individuals, businesses, and organizations which have helped strengthen Nebraska communities. These entrepreneurs do more than just build successful businesses. They host charity events, serve on local chambers of commerce, and shape the character of our towns and cities.

The nominations came from many different people, from a teenager starting his own lawn-mowing business to a mainstay in the Nebraska business community. All of the nominees have shown they are striving to help their home towns succeed into the future.

Steve Brown, of Thedford, began an entrepreneurial scholarship for graduating seniors if they return to the community and begin a business, which was matched by the Custer County Chief. He is also the president of the Thedford Area Community Foundation board. The TACF has held a banquet for the past 5 years and has brought in close to \$25,000 every year. They then have given up to \$15,000 back to the community for repairs and improvements.

Since 1977 Adam Broughton has helped promote the City of York, saved jobs, and established and expanded a number of businesses. He has served with the York Chamber of Commerce, the York County Development Corporation, and Sertoma. He was instrumental in obtaining two \$500,000 grants for the community of York, one for Gerber Foods Corporation and the other for Great West Teeuwissen Corporation. Those grants have helped keep over 40 jobs and the businesses in York. Adam helped to start Crystal Lake Foods, which processes food products for the United States and Asian Rim countries.

In less than 4 years, Clark Swihart of Columbus has built a company employing 14 Nebraskans and is a rapidly growing e-commerce company, specializing in unique promotional products—such as custom silicone wristbands, t-shirts, and more. He has created a unique service, jobs, and revenue.

Began as a combined effort of Twin Valleys Public Power District in Cambridge, Southwest Nebraska RC&D in Cambridge, and Trail Blazers RC&D in Red Cloud, the Furnas/Harlan Partnership of Arapahoe is striving to build a

unified vision for economic development in Furnas and Harlan counties. The Partnership works with individual communities to help promote the surrounding communities and educate residents to help further their careers.

GROW Nebraska of Holbrook is a non-profit organization which has helped hundreds of small businesses and entrepreneurs in Nebraska for more than 10 years. From training sessions to networking and access to new markets through cooperative ads, GROW has helped Nebraska business grow and succeed. Recently GROW Nebraska was selected as a finalist for the eBay Seller's Challenge. GROW has also introduced a Flavors Project. The project gives people "GROW bucks" and allows them to use them at various participating locations just like cash.

Rich and Kellie Patterson, owners and operators of Hometown Hardware in Kimball, have made a name for themselves through their dedication to customer service and devotion to community. The young couple have been described as an "anchor of our downtown" and in just 2 years have already expanded their store.

Though only in high school, Ryan Grossnicklaus of Aurora owns and operates a lawn mowing company in Aurora and was recently awarded a scholarship by the National Federation of Independent Business Young Entrepreneur Foundation.

Todd Messing of Columbus started his own business, Messinc, in 2004. Todd is involved in the New Neighborhoods Initiative grant process to provide affordable housing to those with low to moderate income. His main goal is to provide assistance to community and economic development using education and volunteerism while keeping a profitable and environmentally-friendly business process.

Finally, Xpanxion LLC of Kearney is an international software development company which has placed a priority on hiring Nebraskans, has opened a quality assurance center in Kearney, and has focused on working closely with the University of Nebraska-Kearney. Xpanxion's has already created 16 full-time jobs and 4 part-time positions, and plan to add more jobs in the future. Xpanxion has helped curb the "brain drain" by hiring employees back to rural Nebraska from places outside of Nebraska.

I am proud to be able to recognize all of the honorees today and I thank them for their service to Nebraska.

HONORING KIMBERLY BRAZIER UPON RECEIPT OF THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. ISRAEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge a young woman in my district, Kimberly Brazier.

Kimberly will receive the Girl Scout Gold Award on August 3, 2009. For her project, she made two decorative wall quilts for the Huntington Hills Center for Health and Rehabilitation for senior citizens there to enjoy. I wish to commend Kimberly for her community service.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. FRANK A. LOBIONDO

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 30, 2009

Mr. LOBIONDO. Madam Speaker, as per the requirements of the Republican Conference Rules on earmarks, I secured the following earmarks in HR 3326:

Requesting Member: Congressman FRANK LOBIONDO (NJ-02)

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Army—Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: (1) Drexel University, (2) Waterfront Technology Center

Address of Requesting Entity: (1) 3141 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104; (2) 200 Federal Street, Suite 300, Camden, NJ 08103

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$3.8 million for Applied Communications and Information Networking (ACIN). ACIN enables the warfighter to rapidly deploy state-of-the-practice communications and networking technology for warfighting and National Security. This funding will build on funding from previous years to fully develop this technology.

Requesting Member: Congressman FRANK LOBIONDO (NJ-02)

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Air Force—Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Accenture

Address of Requesting Entity: 200 Federal Street, Suite 300, Camden, NJ 08103

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$4.0 million for Distributed Mission Interoperability Toolkit (DMIT). DMIT is a suite of tools that enables an enterprise architecture for on-demand, trusted, interoperability among and between mission-oriented C4I systems. This spending will build on funding from previous years to allow DMIT to be extended to Joint and coalition requirements, and address current weaknesses in Air Force management years ahead of current schedules. Adoption by major programs and commercial entities would lead to savings in the \$100 millions on current and future DOD programs.

Requesting Member: Congressman FRANK LOBIONDO (NJ-02)

Bill Number: H.R. 3326

Account: Navy—Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Absecon Mills Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: Vienna and Aloe Avenues, PO Box 672, Cologne, NJ 08213

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$2.5 million for Force Protection—Non Traditional Weaving Application for Aramid (Ballistic) Fibers and Fabrics. By re-evaluating standard industry design and manufacturing techniques for force protection technology, we believe Non Traditional weave designs of Aramid (ballistic) fiber coupled with new applications of microwave plasma treatments can enhance the strength of the fiber and result in enhanced individual mobility, ease of medical access, reduced weight, increased ballistic protection, cost effective savings and weight reduction of ballistic materials currently used.

Requesting Member: Congressman FRANK LOBIONDO (NJ-02)